

Bulletin 2020 #1-4

Dear Members,

Again we are unable to meet in person but we are setting up our November meeting for Wednesday evening, November 18, 2020 by zoom or teleconference. Hold the date and meeting details will be forthcoming.

Nominating Committee

I have named the following members to the Nominating Committee: Helen Cross, Chairman (ctiffer2@hotmail.com), Paul Bowman (blueirisbowman@yahoo.com), and Ted Kelley (skallegro@verizon.net)

Please contact any of them if you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors.

For your information, here is the section of our by laws that references the Nominating Committee and procedure:

SECTION 3. Nominations

The President, with the ratification of the Executive Board, each year on or before November 1st, will designate three (3) members of the Club in good standing whose duty it will be to nominate candidates for the several offices for election at the next annual meeting of the Club. The members of the Nominating Committee will make their selection of the candidates from among the regular members of the Club and report their nominations in writing to the Secretary of the Club on or before December 1st. The Corresponding Secretary of the Club will, on or before December 5th, send a notice to each regular member of the Club setting forth the names of those candidates selected. Any regular member of the Club, in good standing, whose name does not appear on the list so selected by the committee will be eligible for election if, and only if, his or her name is endorsed in writing by at least three (3) members in good standing in the Club, and sent by registered mail, or delivered in hand to the Corresponding Secretary on or before December 15th, in which event it is the duty of the Secretary to notify each member of the name or names of the candidates so nominated or proposed on or before

December 28th.No nominations may be made from the floor at the annual meeting of the Club. In the event of a candidate accepting an office and then withdrawing his name from that office, the candidate must notify the Nominating Committee of such a move by December 15th. At that time, the Nominating Committee has the right to choose another candidate in place of the one who withdrew. No candidate will be allowed to have his or her name submitted unless it is in writing and mailed to the Corresponding Secretary of the Club.

Membership

I have received two applications for Associate Memberships.

Michelle Hojdysz from New Rochelle, NY and Anne Sanders from Gardiner, NY. If anyone has any comments or concerns on these two prospective Associate Members, please contact me.



National Information for 2021

Welcome to the 2021 GDCA National Specialty, Futurity, Top Twenty Invitational Show

Hosted by the Southeast Division GDCSEFL GDCCNC GDCMF GDCMS GDCNCFL

Dates: October 24-30, 2021

Room Reservation announcement will be posted on the www.GDCA.org website. To date, Saturday, November 21st, 2020, King and Double bedrooms reservations will begin.

- *Room rates \$109.00 plus tax and fees
- *Non-refundable onetime Pet fee of \$75.00 for guests staying with dogs in the room.
- *RV reservations, Ways and Means Merchandise, Golf Cart/Scooter Rentals, Vendor rentals, Seminars, Clinics well be available first of next year.

Sheraton Myrtle Beach Hotel and Convention Center 2101 N. Oak Street Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

Welcome Guests and Exhibitors

to our 2021 Southeast Division National Specialty! Please check our parent club GDCA website for updates. www.GDCA.org or FB Southeast National Specialty page.

Coming soon, a Limited Edition tee shirt will be available for purchase on GDCA store.

Stay safe!

Southeast Division National Chairperson

Wanda Hepler



GDCA Charitable Trust NEWS!

The Trust will be participating in a research study for early detection of osteosarcoma by Dr. Jaime Modiano at the University of Minnesota. We are one of 8 breed clubs/foundations who are considering participation. The other breeds that will most likely join us are Wolfhounds, Goldens, Rottweilers, Greyhounds, Shepherds, Irish Setters, and Leonburgers. Dr. Modiano joined us at our recent Trust meeting and explained that the single predisposing factor for osteosarcoma is size. He commented that the incidence in racing Greyhounds is huge but in show Greyhounds is very low, citing an environmental factor. The study will run for 3 years and follow 50-60 dogs of each breed. The test being developed is expected to predict whether a dog is at risk for osteosarcoma; there is also a very safe drug that they've developed that could head it off. With all the approvals and hoops to jump through, this will not be available in the near future but will benefit future generations of dogs. This is very exciting research and we are very happy to be able to include our beloved Great Danes in this project. Dr. Modiano recently developed a similar test for risk factors for histeosarcoma.

Disaster Relief Grants

The Charitable Trust is still accepting grant applications for those affected by the COVID-19 Pandemic. The grants are available to help those who are unable to feed or care for their Danes. Applications are available for download on the GDCA website. You need not be a GDCA or Affiliate club member to apply.

<u>Litters or Dogs Available</u> – Paul Bowman just had a litter of black puppies – eight females and one male. CH Devine's Unforgettable Sophisticated Lady "Natalie" X BISS CH. Ozdanes Got The Moves "Jagger" Both parents fully health tested. Born October 30th

Brags

I'm pleased to say that despite the pandemic and very few dog shows, we still have some brags:

From Sterling Moffat - Ch. Sterling's Whitewater Knight aka "Jora" finished his AKC championship Feb. 2019. He is also grand Ch. in Canada Ch. Sterling's Azure Fibonacci aka "Nacci" finished in Nov. 2019
Both are sired by Gch Dewitt's Court Sterling Mathematician and out of Gch. Sterling's Dwt Black Calla Lily v. Darkhorse CGC. Brothers from 2 different litters. Sterling's Obsidian Rosette Delizy achieved her novice jumpers and standard agility titles NA, NAJ. Very exciting as I have never done agility before!! We are working on open but covid put a crimp in my plans.

From Rachel Wilson - Both Drakken and Riddick got their BCAT titles Drakken running between 20 and 22 mph Riddick running between 24 and 26 mph- and Riddick is half way to his DCAT

Making it:

CH Davisdane's Ducktor Drakken I Presume BN RI CGC TKN BCAT CH Davisdane's N Balor The Chronicles of Ridduck BCAT

Still waiting for it to hit on AKC though.

Argus, Davisdane Acadia N Balor My Argus Moon, took a specialty major under Robert Layne at the Maryland Specialty Shows.

From Marcia Roddy - Marcia and Peter Roddy, Pat Ciampa, Helen and Tiffany Cross have a new young champion: CH Maitau N Sundance You Gotta Believe!

Congratulations to everyone on their impressive wins!

Website

Our website, gdcne.org, is in very good hands with Kim Thurler. If you need any club info you can find it there.

SAVE THE DATE

Meetings

Meeting information will be out soon for our meeting on November 18th.

Shows

Thanksgiving Cluster November 19-22

11-19 Holyoke Kennel Club-Karen McFarlane

11-20 Windham County KC - Dana Cline

11-21 South Windsor (GDCNE Designated Specialty) Eric Ringle

11-21 GDCNE (Concurrent Specialty) Mimi Kim, Sweeps Terri Dilliston

11-22 Springfield KC (GDCNE Designated Specialty) Sydney Good

11-22 GDCNE(Concurrent Specialty) Tom Davis, Sweeps Rachel Rich

Thanks to the dedication of our Show Chair, Laurie Maulucci, the shows will go on! From Laurie: Despite scattered reports to the contrary, our Thanksgiving Classic Cluster shows will go on as planned. The judging programs are online at infodog.com for Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Sunday's will be forthcoming. Please remember that there will be no ring catalogs available so you must know the armband numbers that you need every day before going to the steward. The Massachusetts Travel Advisory updates the states that are considered low-risk every Friday. If you are coming from one of these states you are not required to complete the Massachusetts Travel Form

https://www.mass.gov/forms/massachusetts-travel-form

If you are coming from any other state you must complete the form and submit it online. The current low-risk states are the District of Columbia, Hawaii, Maine, New Hampshire, New York, Vermont and Washington.

Please remember to bring a completed cluster waiver form with you on your first day. Waivers are available at www.springfieldkennelclub.org/skc and www.southwindsorkennelclub.org, and in the judging programs.

Any questions, please email tccdogshows@gmail.com or call Laurie Maulucci between 9 am and 6 pm at 860-490-7666. Obedience and Rally questions should be directed to Kevyn Thomas 413-505-4828.

Unfortunately, no spectators can be allowed at these shows.

Specialty Raffle

In the last bulletin, I reported on Great Danes N Great Deeds' generosity to our club with their donation of \$2,000. Well, they've done it again!

Due to Covid restrictions, we are not allowed to have our usual raffle table. Marcia and her committee have put together 3 Tower of Toys raffle items. Great Danes N Great Deeds have handled the selling of the raffle spots and awarding of the raffles with ALL proceeds going to our club. They are truly an amazing and generous group. Thank you, Marcia Roddy, for making this happen!



Sunshine

Our sincere condolences go out to Norm Vadenais on the loss of his father. Our thoughts are with Norm at this difficult time.

Get well wishes go out to Rachel Wilson, who was recently hospitalized with a serious infection.

Our condolences go out to Pat Ciampa, Helen Cross, and Tiffany Cross on their loss of Trace at the age of nine. GCH Maitau N Cosmic Better By Design, CGC, BN, RN. We're thinking of you.

We were so sorry to hear that Annette and Mark Larareo lost their beloved Ipo, GCH Saul's No Rain No Rainbows. Our thoughts are with you.

In Closing

Please feel free to contact me with any comments, concerns or ideas you may have for our club. Stay safe and I hope to see you soon.

Best wishes, Sue

Susan Davis Shaw President